

indicated by "Manual Mode" being displayed below "Airport Identification" while the system is in manual mode.

6.6.2.1 Entering a Manual Observation. From the "Operator Menu" (Figure 6.6) select "F1" for "Operator Data". The screen will change as shown in Figure 6.14, "Operator Data Menu". Select "F1" to enter a weather observation (Figure 6.19). The entry is to consist of the entire surface weather observation, including 3-letter identifier, and be formatted in accordance with FMH-1 (or -9). Only one observation per entry is permitted. Including more than one observation per entry (e.g., two SPs) will result in incorrect formatting of the observations on the Service A transmission. The maximum number of characters per observation, including spaces, is 80. Entries within the 80-character limit. Hourly (SA/RS) observations are not to be completed prior to 45 minutes past the hour nor later than 54 minutes past the hour. Examples of manual observation entries are shown in Table 6.6.

6.6.2.2 Entering a New or Changing a Manual Observation. Enter a complete new observation. Although the previous observation will be shown on the screen, there are no provisions for using the screen and keyboard to format a new manual observation from the previous observation. Also, manual observations are not to be revalidated since the times of the observations will always be different.

6.6.2.3 Voice Recording of Manual Observations. Each manual observation must be manually recorded by the observer for dissemination over the ground-air and telephone voice outlets. The OT keystrokes used for the voice recording of manual observations are the same as those used for appending a NOTAM, and reference is made to the same figures. From the basic screen (Figure 6.3) press "F1". This will result in a screen that looks like Figure 6.4. Select "F1" again for the "Operator Menu", and enter the correct password when requested (Figure 6.5). The display will then change as shown in Figure 6.6. Select "F3" for the "Voice Menu". The display will then change as shown in Figure 6.7. Select "F1" (enter voice remark) and the screen will change as shown in Figure 6.8. This display prompts to begin recording. As soon as the "F1" key is pressed, the display will change as shown in Figure 6.9 and the observer may begin recording using the microphone. Begin the recording with the time of the observation, except if the observation is a special (SP) or urgent special (USP), begin the recording with the type of observation. Note that the station location is automatically generated, and need not be manually recorded.

TABLE 6.6

EXAMPLES OF MANUAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS ENTERED INTO THE AWOS

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Hourly (SA) Observation:

UKI SA 1853 20 SCT M90 OVC 7 172/55/50/3010/004

Special (SP) Observation:

UKI SP 1932 -X M6 OVC 3RW-F 2612/023/F2

Record Special (RS) Observation with dew point sensor out of service:

UKI RS 1854 6 SCT M50 OVC 7 243/54/M/2619/025

Urgent Special (USP) Observation:

FOD USP 1945 TORNADO 5 NE MOVG NE

Example of first observation for the day:

UKI SA 1155 100 SCT 7 152/45/40/3605/998/FIRST

Example of last observation for the day:

UKI SA 0355 M30 BKN 50 OVC 7 159/48/40/3415/000/LAST

EXAMPLES :

Hourly (SA): (Location--automatically generated)...ONE EIGHT FIVE FIVE ZULU...TWO THOUSAND SCATTERED, ESTIMATED CEILING TWO FIVE THOUSAND OVERCAST...VISIBILITY TWO FIVE...TEMPERATURE THREE SIX, DEW POINT TWO NINER... WIND THREE SIX ZERO AT ONE TWO PEAK GUSTS TWO ZERO...ALTIMETER TWO NINER EIGHT NINER.

Special (SP): (Location--automatically generated)... SPECIAL... TWO ZERO THREE FIVE ZULU...MEASURED ONE THOUSAND OVERCAST...VISIBILITY ONE...MODERATE RAIN AND FOG...WIND ZERO ONE FIVE AT TWO ZERO...ALTIMETER TWO NINER NINER FIVE.

The countdown timer reflects the number of seconds of recording time remaining. The maximum length is 30 seconds. To pause, press the "F2" key. To resume, press the "F2" key again. When the message is complete, press the "F1" key. When the "F1" key is pressed or the timer reaches zero, the display will change as shown in Figure 6.10. This menu allows for reviewing the message before transmission. Selecting "F2" (review) will change the screen as shown in Figure 6.11, and then Figure 6.12. After accepting the messages, the display will return to the "Operator Menu" screen (Figure 6.6) and the manually recorded observation will be broadcast on the ground-air voice outlet and available on the telephone voice outlet.

6.6.2.4 Mandatory Updating of the Voice Recording of Manual Observations. The voice dissemination of any observation recorded prior to 45 minutes past the hour will end at 55 minutes past the hour. The observation must be updated at least once an hour between 45 and 54 minutes past the hour. Failure to do so will result in no data being available on the ground-air or telephone voice outlets. Revalidation is not appropriate since the time of the observation will be different.

6.6.2.55 Updating/Changing a Manually Recorded Observations. The voice entry is changed by recording a new observation (paragraph 6.6.2.3, above). There is no need to cancel the previous manual voice recording before recording a new observation.

6.6.2.6. Cancelling a Manually Recorded Observation. From the screen shown in Figure 6.13, select "F2" (Cancel Voice Remark).

6.6.3 Setting a Channel (Sensor) In/Out of Service. If the system is being operated in the manual mode and there is a problem with a channel (sensor), the channel(s) with a problem is to be set out of service. To set a channel (sensor) in/out of service, select "F2" from the "Operator Menu" (Figure 6.6). The

screen will change as shown in Figure 6.16 (Failure Override Menu). Select "F1" "Channel In/Out", the screen will change as shown in Figure 6.17. Select the appropriate "F" key to toggle the "in" or "out" status of a channel.

NOTE: Putting a channel (sensor) out of service will cause the data for that sensor to be shown as "missing" on the screen. Also, if the system is returned to automated operation (paragraph 6.6.4, below) with a channel (sensor) out of service, the data for that parameter will be voiced as "missing" in the automated voice message, and indicated as "M" in the Service A teletype message.

#### 6.6.4 Return to Automated Operation from Manual Operation.

Before the system is returned to automated operation, the last manual observation entered into the system must be cancelled. This cancellation must not be less than 5 minutes after the last manual observation was entered into the system. This delay of not less than 5 minutes is to allow time for the last manual observation to be transmitted to the WMSC.

To cancel the last manual observation entered into the system, from the basic screen (Figure 6.3) press "F1". This will result in a screen that looks like Figure 6.4. Select "F1" again for the "Operator Menu", and enter the correct password when requested (Figure 6.5). The screen will change as shown in Figure 6.6. Select "F1" for the "Operator Data Menu". The display will change as shown in Figure 6.14. Select "F1" and the screen will change as shown in Figure 6.19. From this "Enter Manual Observation" screen strike the "return/enter" (RET) key. This "null" entry will cancel the last manual observation entered into the system.

To return to automated operation, from the basic screen (Figure 6.3) select "F1". The screen will then change as shown in Figure 6.4. Select "F1" for the "Operator Menu" and enter the correct password when requested (Figure 6.5). The screen will then change as shown in Figure 6.6. Select "F5" for "System Mode". The screen will then change as shown in Figure 6.18. Select "F1" to toggle the system mode from manual to automated.

The above procedures are necessary to preclude the possibility of the last manual Observation entered into the system being picked up and transmitted as a manual augmentation weather entry along with the automated observation.

SPECIAL INTERIM PROCEDURE--APPLICABLE ONLY AT STATIONS WHICH DO NOT HAVE SOFTWARE VERSION 2.07 INSTALLED. Pending the installation of Software Version 2.07, a special procedure must

be followed at locations which do not have this software version installed. This special procedure is required to preclude a portion of the previous manual observation entered into the system from being mixed with the current manual observation. To do this, the last manual observation entered into the system must be cancelled before starting to enter the current manual observation. The keystrokes required to cancel the last manual observation are spelled out in paragraph 6.6.4, above. The installation of Software Version 2.07 began in January 1991 and is to be completed by July 1991. Information concerning the software version installed at specific locations may be obtained by contacting the Qualimetrics, Inc. telephone answering service, (916)-928-0720, Mon-Fri, 0800-1700 PST.

## 6.7 Miscellaneous Functions.

**6.7.1 Setting the Printer Interval.** The primary purpose of the printer is to provide a hard copy of archived data in the event of an aircraft incident or accident. (A printer must be transported to the site when archived data is required at an airport that is not assigned a printer.) Also, a planned system modification will make manual augmentation entries (Mode 3 Operation) and manual observations (Mode 4 Operation) available on the printer output. It is recommended that the printer be turned off at all times that the system is being operated in Modes 1 or 2, and during operation in Mode 3 when a weather observer is not on duty to make any required augmentation entries. To set the printer interval, from the "Operator Menu" (Figure 6.6) select "F4", "Print Interval". The screen will change as shown in Figure 6.20. Enter the desired interval. Set the printer interval to 61 if a hard copy of the observations is not required.

**6.7.2 Disable/Enable Automated Voice Outouts/Set Test Status.** These procedures are used if it becomes necessary to take the voice ground-air broadcast, telephone voice outlet, or both out of service (or return to service if currently out of service). This menu is also used to set (or turn off) "test" status. From the basic screen (Figure 6.3) select "F1". This will result in a screen that looks like Figure 6.4. Select "F1" again for the "Operator Menu" and enter the correct password when requested (Figure 6.5). The display will then change as shown in Figure 6.6. Select "F3" for the "Voice Menu". From the "Voice Menu" (Figure 6.7) select "F2", "Voice Output Control". The screen will change as shown in Figure 6.21. Select "F2" to switch the radio output "off"; select "F3" to switch the telephone "off". Repeating these procedures will switch the outputs from "off" to "on". Select "F4" to set the system in "test" status. If the system is currently in "test" status, repeating these procedures

will cancel the "test" status. Note: While the system is in "test" status, the word "TEST" is included in the voice (radio and telephone) transmissions. Also, placing the system in "test" status prevents transmission of the automated observations over the Service A network.

**6.8 Archive Procedures:** To enter the archive menu from the basic screen (Figure 6.3), select "F1". The screen will change as shown in Figure 6.4. Select "F3" and enter the correct password. The screen will change to the "Archive Menu" (Figure 6.22).

**6.8.1 Printing/Displaying Archived Data.** Selecting "F1" from the "Archive Menu" allows all or a specific number of the archived observations to be printed (Figure 6.23). Selecting "F2" allows all or a specific number of the archived observations to be displayed (Figures 6.24 and 6.25). Since data are archived at 20-minutes intervals for 96 hours (4 days), from 1 to 288 observations can be printed or displayed.

**6.8.2 Locking/Freezing a 24-Hour Segment of Archived Data.** Selecting "F3" from the "Archive Menu" allows the observer to lock/freeze a 24-hour segment of archive data for use later, for example, in the investigation of an aircraft mishap. A total of 72 archived observations (3 archived observations per hour X 24 = 72) will be locked into battery backed memory starting with the year/month/day/hour/minute entered into the system per the prompts on Figures 6.26 and 6.27. The 24-hour segment of data locked/frozen will remain in the system until another segment is locked into the system in place of it. Note: When the lock start time is less than 24 hours prior to the present time, only the data to the present time will be locked.

**6.8.3 Printing/Displaying Locked/Frozen 24-Hour Segment.** Selecting "F4" from the "Archive Menu" allows the observer to print the locked segment (Figures 6.28 and 6.29). Selecting "F5" allows for displaying the locked segment (Figures 6.30 and 6.31).

APPENDIX A

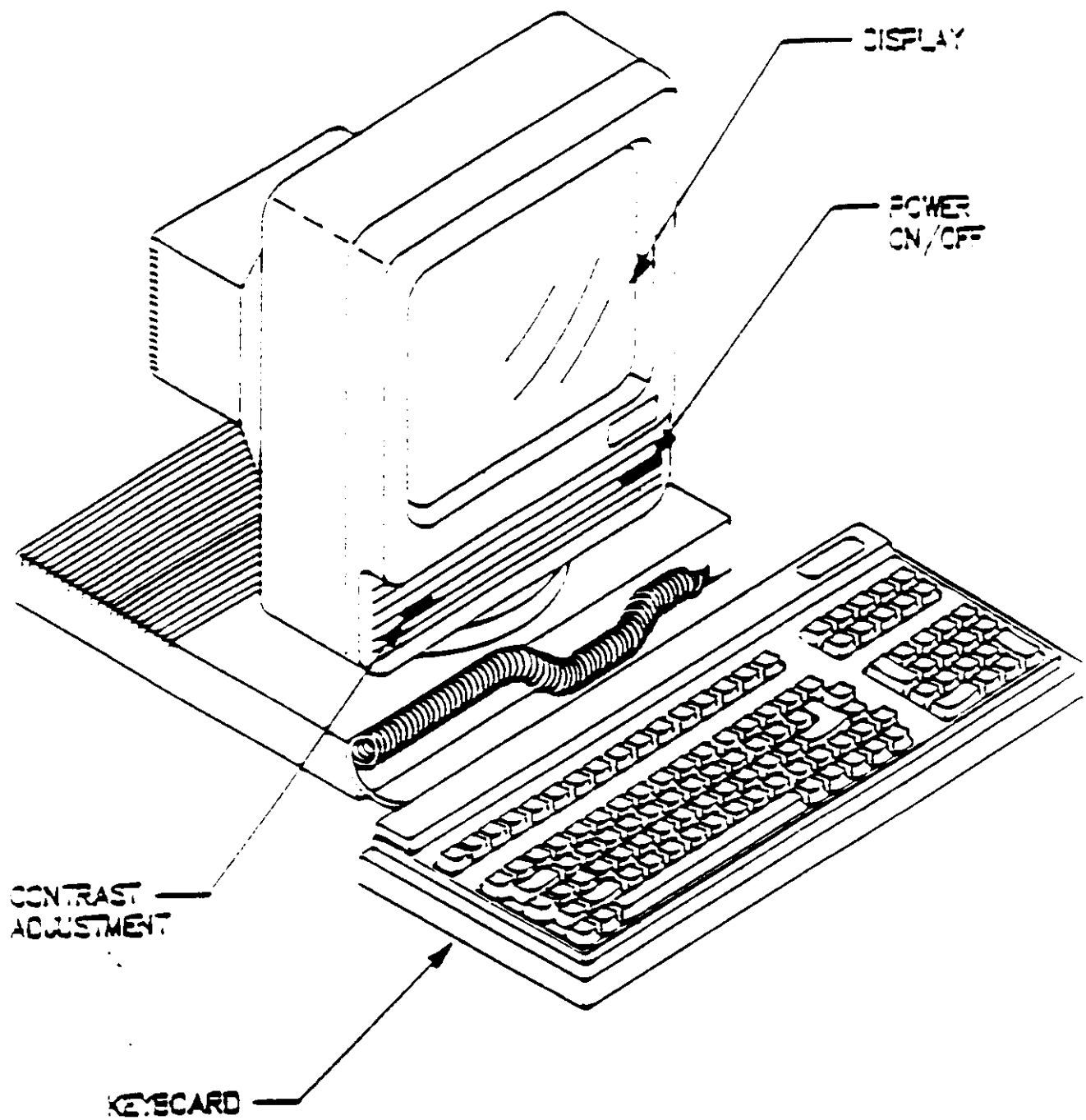


FIGURE 6.1  
VIDEO DISPLAY



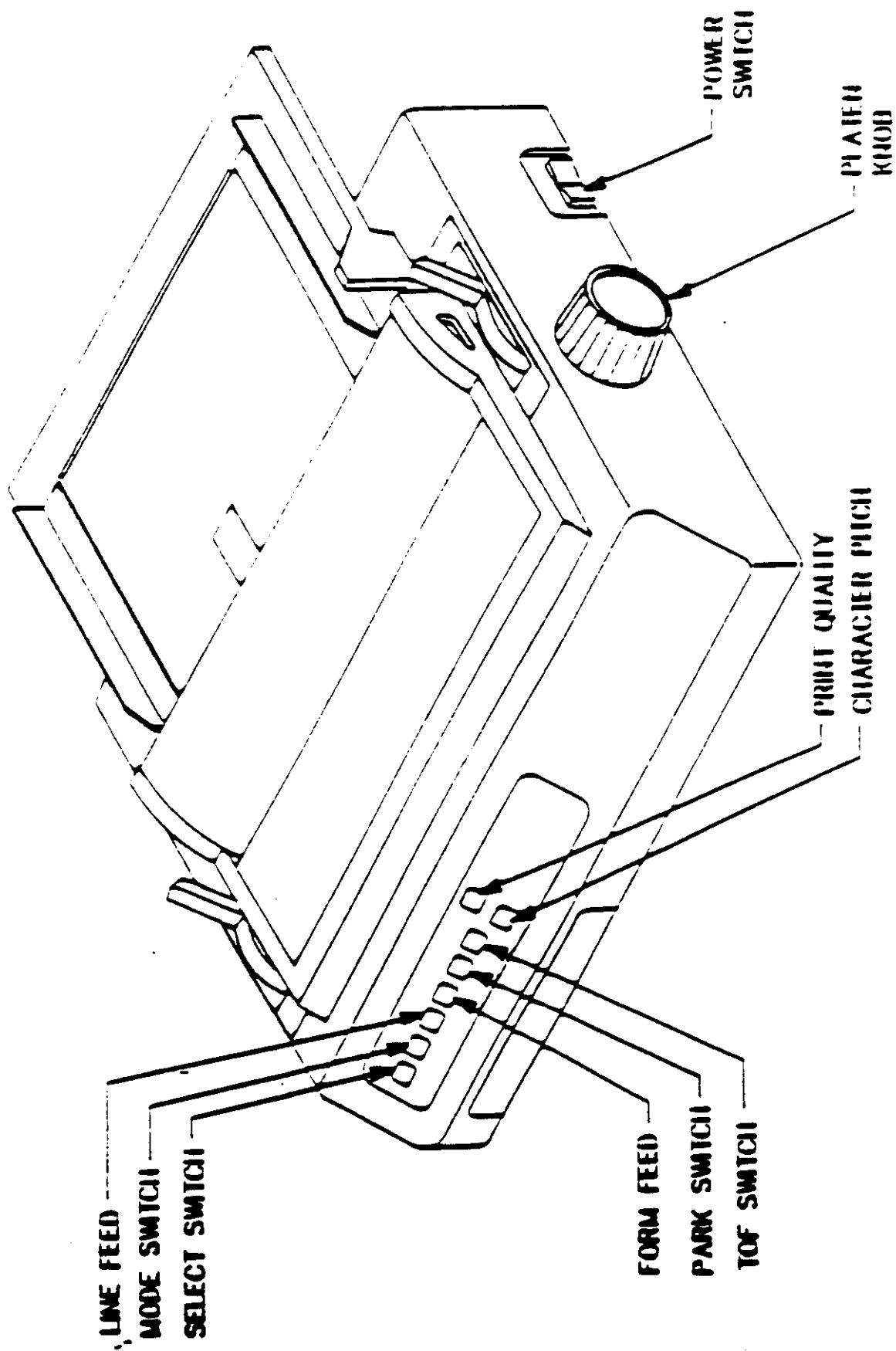


FIGURE 6.2  
DIGITAL PRINTER

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

STATUS : 000000000

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

WHICH MENU? F1 OPERATOR F2 MAINTENANCE F3 ARCHIVE : \_

STATUS : 000000000

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION  
AUTOMATIC MODE

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR

VISIBILITY -----10

TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38

WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM

ALTITUDE SETTING -----3028

ENTER PASSWORD : \_

STATUS : 0000000000

FIGURE 6-5  
PASSWORD SCREEN

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION  
AUTOMATIC MODE

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR

VISIBILITY -----10

TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38

WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM

ALTITUDE SETTING -----3028

F1 OPERATOR DATA F2 FAILURE OVERRIDE F3 VOICE

F4 PRINT INTERVAL F5 SYSTEM MODE : \_

STATUS : 0000000000

ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-6  
MAIN OPERATOR MENU

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION		00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE		00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR		
VISIBILITY ----- 10		
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38		
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM		
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028		
VOICE FUNCTIONS		F1 ENTER VOICE REMARKS
F2 VOICE OUTPUT CONTROL		F3 REVALDATE REMARK
STATUS : 0000000000		ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-7  
VOICE MENU

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION		m.m.m.z
AUTOMATIC MODE		00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR		
VISIBILITY ----- 10		
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38		
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM		
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028		
ENTER VOICE REMARK F1 TO BEGIN, ESC TO EXIT		
STATUS : 0000000000		ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-8  
ENTER VOICE REMARKS FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION  
AUTOMATIC MODE

00:00:00 Z  
mm LOCAL

SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR  
VISIBILITY -----10  
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 31  
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM  
ALTITUDE SETTING -----3028

RECORDING            TIME REMAINING : 30  
F1 TO STOP RECORDING  
F2 TO SUSPEND RECORDING

STATUS : 0000000000

FIGURE 6-9  
VOICE REMARKS FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION  
AUTOMATIC MODE

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR  
VISIBILITY -----10  
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38  
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM  
ALTITUDE SETTING -----3028

YOU MAY REVIEW THE RECORDED MESSAGE  
F1 TO ACCEPT MESSAGE  
F2 TO REVIEW MESSAGE : \_

STATUS : 0000000000

FIGURE 6-10  
VOICE REMARK REVIEW FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR	
VISIBILITY ----- 10	
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38	
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM	
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028	
MESSAGE NOW BEING REVIEWED:	
STATUS : 0000000000	

FIGURE 6-11  
VOICE REMARK REVIEW FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR	
VISIBILITY ----- 10	
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38	
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM	
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028	
MESSAGE IS COMPLETED.	
F1 TO ACCEPT MESSAGE	
F2 TO RE-RECORD MESSAGE : _	
STATUS : 0000000000	

FIGURE 6-12  
MESSAGE COMPLETE FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION -----	120 CLR
VISIBILITY -----	10
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----	43 / 38
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----	CALM
ALTIMETER SETTING -----	3028
F1 TO REVALIDATE VOICE REMARK	
F2 TO CANCEL VOICE REMARK	
VOICE REMARK REVALIDATED UNTIL 00:00	
STATUS : 000000000	

FIGURE 6-13  
REVALIDATE REMARK FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION -----	120 CLR
VISIBILITY -----	10
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----	43 / 38
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----	CALM
ALTIMETER SETTING -----	3028
F1 ENTER WEATHER REMARK	F2 REVALIDATE WEATHER REMARK
F3 ENTER WEATHER	F4 ENTER OBSTRUCTIONS
F5 REVALIDATE WEATHER / OBSTRUCTIONS : -	
STATUS : 000000000	
ESC TO EXIT	

FIGURE 6-14  
OPERATOR DATA MENU

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR	
VISIBILITY -----10	
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38	
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM	
ALTIMETER SETTING -----3028	
<p>ENTER WEATHER REMARK. USE BACKSPACE IF NEEDED. RETURN WHEN DONE.          TO ENTER TWO LINES, HIT '\ ' (BACKSLASH) TO END FIRST LINE, RETURN WHEN DONE.</p>	
REMARK : _	
STATUS : 0000000000	
ESC TO EXIT	

FIGURE 6-15  
ENTER WEATHER REMARK FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR	
VISIBILITY -----10	
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38	
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM	
ALTIMETER SETTING -----3028	
<p>F1 ENTER WEATHER REMARK      F2 REVALIDATE WEATHER REMARK          F3 ENTER WEATHER            F4 ENTER OBSTRUCTIONS          F5 REVALIDATE WEATHER / OBSTRUCTIONS</p>	
REMARK REVALIDATED UNTIL 00:00_	
STATUS : 0000000000	
ESC TO EXIT	

FIGURE 6-15A  
REVALIDATE WEATHER REMARK FUNCTION



AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION		mmmm Z
AUTOMATIC MODE		00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- '20 CLR		
VISIBILITY ----- '0		
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38		
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM		
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028		
F1 CHANNEL IN/OUT	F2 OVERRIDE SKY	F3 REVALIDATE SKY
F4 OVERRIDE VS.	F5 REVALIDATE VS.	

STATUS : 000000000

FIGURE 6-16  
FAILURE OVERRIDE MENU

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION		00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE		00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR		
VISIBILITY ----- 10		
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38		
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM		
ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028		
SET A CHANNEL IN OR OUT. MENU ON RIGHT.		
CHANNELS OUT :		
HIT F KEY TO TOGGLE STATUS OF CHANNEL.		
STATUS : 000000000		

F1	TP
F2	DP
F3	WS
F4	WS
F5	SP
F6	M
F7	CH

ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-17  
CHANNEL IN/OUT FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

AUTOMATIC MODE

SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR

VISIBILITY ----- 10

TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38

WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM

ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028

SYSTEM CURRENTLY IN AUTOMATIC MODE

F1 TO SELECT MANUAL

STATUS : 0000000000

ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-18  
SYSTEM MODE FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION

00:00:00 Z  
00:00 LOCAL

MANUAL MODE

SKY CONDITION ----- 120 CLR

VISIBILITY ----- 10

TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT ----- 43 / 38

WIND DIRECTION / SPEED ----- CALM

ALTIMETER SETTING ----- 3028

ENTER WEATHER REMARK. USE BACKSPACE IF NEEDED, RETURN WHEN DONE.  
TO ENTER TWO LINES, HIT '\ ' (BACKSLASH) TO END FIRST LINE, RETURN WHEN DONE.

MAN OBS: \_

STATUS : 0000000000

ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-19  
ENTER MANUAL OBSERVATION FUNCTION

AIRPORT IDENTIFICATION	00:00:00 Z
AUTOMATIC MODE	00:00 LOCAL
SKY CONDITION -----120 CLR	
VISIBILITY -----10	
TEMPERATURE / DEW POINT -----43 / 38	
WIND DIRECTION / SPEED -----CALM	
ALTIMETER SETTING -----3028	
PRINT INTERVAL CURRENTLY 10 MINUTE(S)	
ENTER NEW VALUE OR RETURN TO KEEP : _	
STATUS : 0000000000	ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-20  
PRINT INTERVAL SCREEN OPTION

VOICE OUTPUT CONTROL
CURRENTLY SENDING AUTOMATIC MESSAGE
VOICE- RADIO OUTPUT CURRENTLY ON
VOICE- TELEPHONE OUTPUT CURRENTLY ON
CURRENTLY SENDING NON-TEST MESSAGE
F1 TO SET INOPERATIVE MESSAGE
F2 TO SWITCH RADIO OUTPUT OFF.
F3 TO SWITCH TELEPHONE OUTPUT OFF.
F4 TO SET TEST MESSAGE
ESC TO EXIT

FIGURE 6-21  
VOICE OUTPUT CONTROL FUNCTION

ARCHIVE MENU:

PRESS F1 PRINT DATA TO PRINTER  
F2 DISPLAY DATA TO OPERATOR TERMINAL  
F3 LOCK A SEGMENT OF DATA  
F4 PRINT A LOCKED SEGMENT OF DATA  
F5 DISPLAY LOCKED DATA TO OPERATOR TERMINAL  
ESC TO EXIT:

FIGURE 6-22  
ARCHIVE MENU

INPUT NUMBER OF RECORDS TO PRINT BEFORE LAST RECORD

FIGURE 6-23  
PRINT ARCHIVE DATA

ENTER NUMBER OF RECORDS TO DISPLAY BEFORE LAST RECORD:

FIGURE 6-24  
DISPLAY ARCHIVE DATA

SFO 152 00:20 NCB12000 10 87/48 310/3 3025 0  
118 0010000000

LAST — PRESS ANY KEY to CR —

FIGURE 6-25  
ARCHIVE DATA

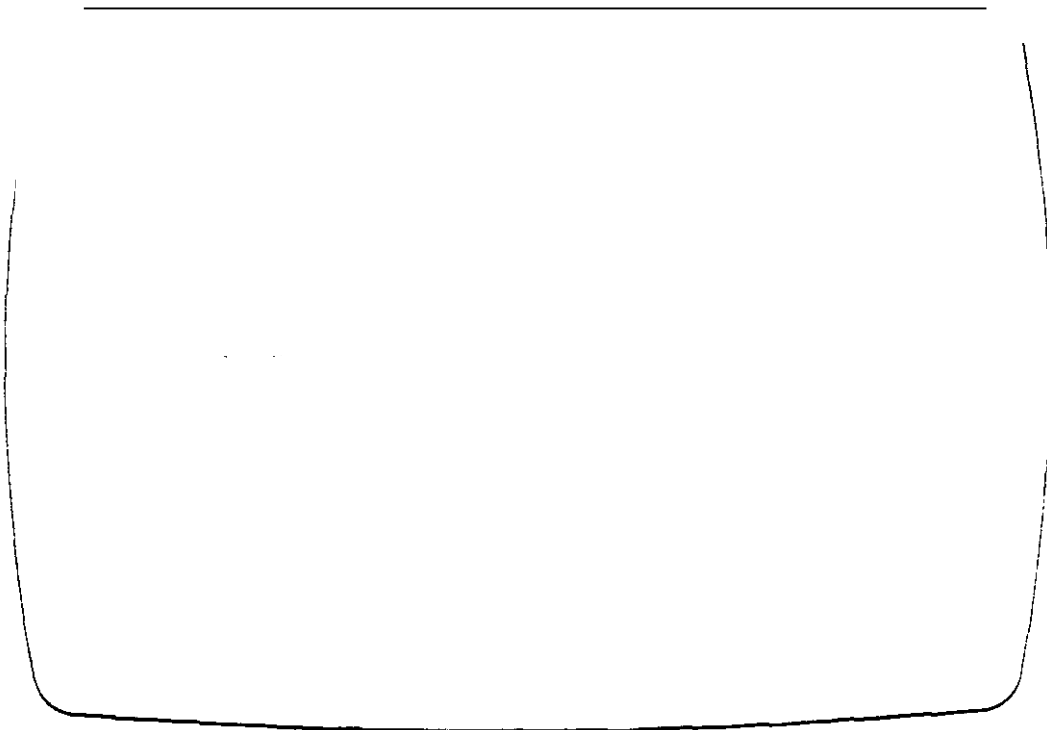


FIGURE 6-26  
LCKK ARCHIVE SEGMENT

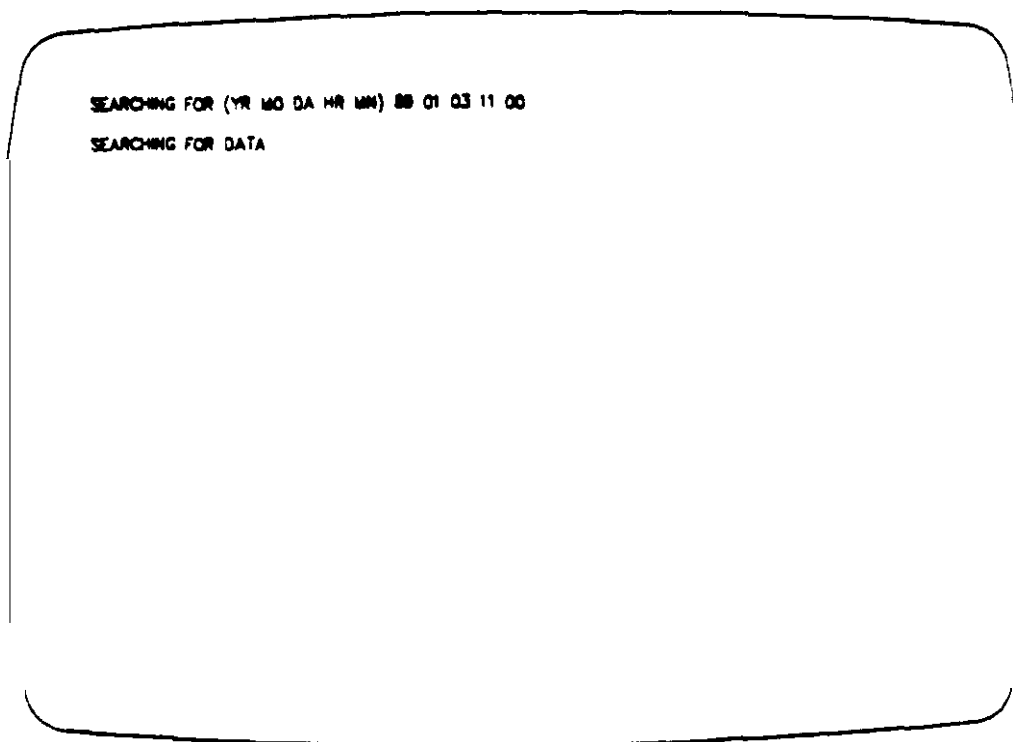


FIGURE 6-27  
ARCHIVE SEARCH

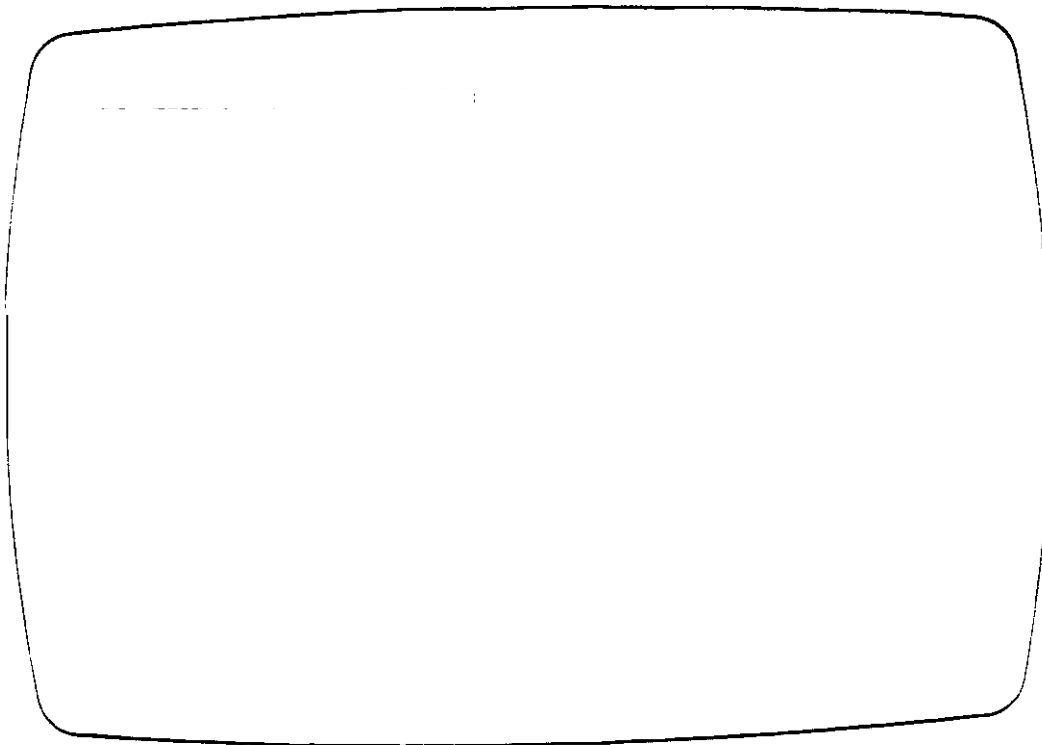


FIGURE 6-28  
PRINT LOCKED SEGMENT

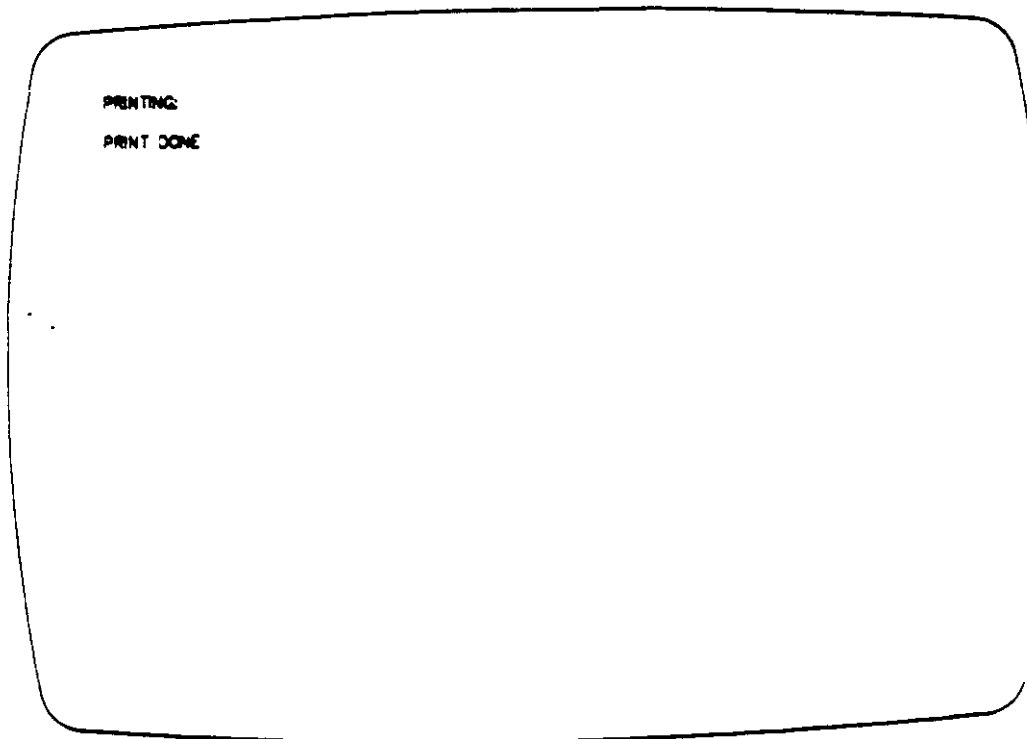


FIGURE 6-29  
PRINTING ARCHIVE

INPUT NUMBER OF FROZEN RECORDS TO DISPLAY:

FIGURE 6-30  
DISPLAY LOCKED SEGMENT

SFO 052 00:20 NC812000 10 67/46 310/3 3025 0  
118 0010000000

LAST SCREEN. PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE:

FIGURE 6-31  
DISPLAY DATA



